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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 14-MAR-2005

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	63-76	66-69	68.38	28

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

73.75

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

73.69

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Mar-05

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	165,098	163,044

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	173.00	1,231
BREASTS - B/S	145.50	5,771
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.50	1,312
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.00	1,055
LEG QUARTERS	32.00	7,099
WINGS	109.50	3,013

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices increased for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area. The whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Offerings were light on moderate to fairly good trade call. Retail demand was slowing and generally no better than fair. Food service movement was light to fairly good, best into promotions. Floor stocks were in a full range with spot shortages noted in Michigan and Ohio. Weights were in a desirable range. On parts supplies, large wings were the only item long. Offerings were limited with light to instances fair trade call. The market tone was steady to firm on all parts, except large wings which were weak.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK ENDING MARCH 11, 2005**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	64.40**	64.00**	61.43	EASTERN REGION	63.00**	64.00	59.00
CENTRAL REGION	65.43	64.00	62.80**	CENTRAL REGION	62.00	62.00**	60.90**
WESTERN REGION	64.50**	64.70**	63.00**	WESTERN REGION	62.50**	62.70**	60.80**

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 05-Mar-2005 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	160,095
Avg Wt	5.24
Last week	156,421
Same wk yr ago	153,459
Avg Wt	5.41
To-date/2005	1,411,064
To-date/2004	1,379,453

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	1,466	2,470
Avg Wt	16.43	38.34
Last week	1,473	2,441
Same wk yr ago	1,729	2,515
Avg Wt	15.38	35.86
To-date/2005	13,699	22,543
To-date/2004	15,197	21,991

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	121.00	121.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	151.00	151.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	112.00	112.00
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	135.00 - 140.00	138.00

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	575.10 625.00	595.24
168 3 Round, top inside round	187.32 199.56	189.06
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	548.00 574.59	567.39
Ground Beef 81%	133.93 153.56	141.17

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